MR. CHANGANACHERY K. PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Quilon*): How long before?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): I am unable to give that information exactly.

MR. CHANGANACHERY K. PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Quilon*): When did the Municipality receive the reports of the sub-committees?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): All that I am unable to say. The Government will ask the President about it.

Engagement of Mr. Madeley for Trivandrum Water Works.

32. MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Will the Government be pleased to state the terms on which expert opinion is proposed to be had from Mr. Madeley regarding water-supply to the Trivandrum town?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Mr. Madeley's expert opinion on the scheme has already been taken and paid for.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Was there any agreement between the Government and Mr. Madeley?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): There was a letter from the Government asking for his services and also a letter of acknowledgment from him offering his services and stating the terms.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): I wanted to know the terms of the agreement with him.

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The member wanted to know the terms on which expert opinion '*is proposed to be had.*'

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Full information on the matter was not available to us. That is the reason why I worded my question thus.

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The Government thought that the member was under the impression that the Government were proposing to get expert opinion from him *once again*.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Was there any agreement with Mr. Madeley when his expert opinion was asked for?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I have already stated that. The Government asked for his services and he replied stating his terms.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Will the Government be pleased to place on the table his terms?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I can mention them now if the member desires to have them.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Yes; I wish to know the terms.

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I suppose he wants to know only the financial aspect of the terms.

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MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): I want to know whether, in case he failed to supply the Trivandrum town with water, the Travancore Government could have any hold upon him.

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Mr. Madeley did not undertake to supply the Trivandrum town with water. He was asked only to prepare a report on the question of the construction of water works.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): May I know the total amount that has been paid to him?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Rs. 2,908.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): May I know the important terms?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): He should submit a report to the Government after examining Mr. Banerjee's report on the water works scheme. He asked for payment at the rate of Rs. 150 *per diem* besides actual travelling expenses and at the rate of Rs. 25 per hour of his work in preparing the report.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Am I to understand that Mr. Madeley was asked simply to revise the report submitted by Mr. Banerjee?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): He was asked to examine Mr. Banerjee's report and to make any suggestions or changes in it if he found any necessity for it, and also to inspect the locality and find out the means of carrying out the water works scheme.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Has he made alterations in or additions to Mr. Banerjee's report?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The Government have not yet examined Mr. Madeley's report. It is only after examining it that they will be in a position to know the changes that he has made.

Stock-taking of Stationery Articles.

33. MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether there ever was a proposal to take stock of the different articles of stationery purchased for the Government; and

(*b*) if the answer is in the affirmative, at what stage the proposal is?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) The answer is in the affirmative.

(*b*) An officer has to be nominated for the purpose.

Men Doctors and Midwifery Operations.

34. MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Trivandrum cum Neduvangad*):

(1) Will the Government be pleased to state the number of midwifery operations performed in the year 1101 by men medical officers?

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